

Finance Committee Minutes

February 20th 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:10PM with Mrs. Prudence Spaulding voted as acting chairman, with Mr. Burt Imberman, Mr. Bill Hattendorf, Ms. Pat Mielke in attendance. Guests were Mr. Michael Skorput, Mr. Nathaniel Yohalem, and Ms. Tara White.

The minutes were circulated at 7:12PM and were accepted as read, Mr. Imberman 1st, Ms. Mielke 2nd passed unanimously.

The following budgets were reviewed:-

Umpachene Falls Park [50650.00] (\$3,800) level funded {\$3,800} Mr. Imberman questioned whether the last year's budget had been totally used. Ms. White stated that some of the planned work had not been done because of the other work required by the hurricane. Mrs. Spaulding 1st, Mr. Hattendorf 2nd passed unanimously.

Berkshire County Communications [60299.00] (\$8,400) now requesting {\$9,137} Mr. Imberman asked just what this budget covered. Mr. Skorput stated that it was our part of the communications that dealt with the Sherriff's Control office. This amount is an assessed amount which we are required to pay as our part of the service. Ms. Mielke 1st, Mr. Hattendorf 2nd passed unanimously.

Group Insurance [909314.70] (\$108,800) now requesting {\$121,734.00} this budget pays for the health insurance for those who work for the town. The break-down is 75/25% and there are ten employees receiving the insurance. Mr. Skorput always allows for an extra employee in case the town hires another employee, or an employee that is not taking that insurance but qualifies for it changes his/her mind. Mrs. Spaulding 1st, Ms. Mielke 2nd passed unanimously.

Mr. Hattendorf circulated the total figure that the Finance Committee has approved to date, being \$1,495,800.67, with the approval transferring from the Reserve Fund of \$21,439.11.

There was a request from the Tax Collector to transfer to the **Tax Collector Expenses** [10147.99] the sum of \$1000 from the **Reserve Fund** to cover the 4th tax mailing. The present balance in that account is \$610.62 and the cost of mailing has increased. Mr. Imberman 1st, Ms. Mielke 2nd passed unanimously.

Mrs. Spaulding circulated the notice of the Annual Public Hearing on the proposed 2013-2014 Operating and Capital budgets for SBRSD to be held on February 28th at 6:00PM at Mount Everett Regional School. The members of the Finance Committee will attend and they set the next meeting of the Finance Committee Meeting for March 7th 2013. The meeting adjourned at 7:37PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Prudence Spaulding Secretary.

Prudence Spaulding
February 21st, 2013